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Applicant(s): Takeo Eguchi et al.

Invention: LIQUID DISCHARGE DEVICE AND LIQUID DISCHARGE METHOD

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 24 of this paper.